

## **PROCLAMATION**

## **International Widows Day**

**WHEREAS,** The City of Bothell benefits greatly from organizations that offer support to women of all ages, faiths and backgrounds who are seeking comfort during times of grief after the loss of a significant other; and

**WHEREAS**, the Modern Widows Club was founded in 2011 as a non-denominational organization that provides widow mentoring, leadership and empowerment through member services, active social media sites and an inspirational blog; and

**WHEREAS,** in 2010, the United Nations General Assembly adopted a resolution to annually observe International Widows Day on June 23 to give special recognition to the situation of widows of all ages and across regions and cultures; and

WHEREAS, on June 23, 2022, the Modern Widows Club of the Bothell area will observe International Widows Day to honor our local community of widows; and

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Mason Thompson. Mayor of the City of Bothell, do hereby proclaim June 23, 2022 to be "International Widows Day" in the City of Bothell, and I encourage all to join me in raising awareness of the need for advocacy, mentoring, and leadership for women in widowhood.

Signed this 14<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2022.

Mason Thompson (Jun 14, 2022 15:21 PDT)

Mason Thompson, Mayor